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TO THE HONORABLE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

MOVANT, TAWHIRI POWER LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Movant") hereby moves the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for an order for an enlargement of time for Movant to file a Motion to Intervene in the above-referenced docket from November 13, 2008 to November 17, 2008 based on excusable neglect, pursuant to §§ 6-61-23(a)(1) and (b) and 6-61-41 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure before the Public Utilities Commission, Chapter 61 of Title 6 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR").

#### 1. Information Concerning Movant.

Movant is a Delaware limited liability company. Movant is a Qualifying Facility ("QF") that has a Power Purchase Agreement with Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc<sup>1</sup>. Movant's full

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Mr. Anthony B. Pace Tawhiri Power LLC 551 Pilgrim Drive, Suite D Foster City, California 94404

#### 2. Procedural History of this Docket.

The Commission initiated this docket by its Order Initiating Investigation filed on October 24, 2008 to address the issues related to implementation of a decoupling mechanism for the HECO Companies ("Order").<sup>2</sup> In the Order, the Commission named the HECO Companies and the Consumer Advocate as parties to the proceeding and invited any interested individual, entity, agency, or community or business organization, to file a motion to intervene or participate without intervention in the Docket pursuant to HAR Chapter 6-61.<sup>3</sup> However, public notice of

 $^{3}\overline{\mathrm{Id}}.$ 

Corporation's interest under the RAC was assigned to Movant. Consequently, Movant has replaced Apollo Energy Corporation ("Apollo Energy") as a party to the RAC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>Id</u>.

this docket did not occur until October 29, 2008. A copy of the Commission's <u>Daily Activity</u>

<u>Report</u> containing the entry for the Order was only made available to the general public on

October 29, 2008 as indicated in attached Exhibit "A".

#### 3. Basis for Movant's Motion.

The basis for this Motion is that Movant has filed simultaneously with this Motion,

Movant's Motion to Intervene in the docket. It is Movant's position that its Motion to Intervene
is timely because public notice of the docket did not occur until October 29, 2008 when the

Commission included an entry on the Order in its *Daily Activity Report*. Thus, Movant should
have twenty (20) days from when the public notice was available instead of twenty (20) days
from when the Order Initiating the Investigation was issued. Since public notice was not made
available through the Commission's *Daily Activity* Report until October 29, 2008<sup>6</sup>, Movant
should have until November 18, 2008 to file its Motion to Intervene.

To not allow Movant to file its Motion to Intervene would deprive Movant of its due process rights. Under current Commission procedures, the only way that Movant is able to receive notice of new dockets that are initiated at the Commission is to physically go to the Commission and review the <u>Daily Activity Report</u>. In the instant case, the <u>Daily Activity Report</u> did not include the Order Initiating the Investigation until October 29, 2008. Thus, Movant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Commission did announce, "PUC opens proceeding relating to Decoupling" on its website, but it appears that the announcement did not appear until October 28, 2008. See copy of webpage attached at Exhibit "B". Even if the announcement occurred prior to October 28, 2008, the webpage is not the official public notice. The website itself contains the following Disclaimer Notice, "The Hawaii Public Utilities Commission's web site, <a href="www.hawaii.gov/budget/puc">www.hawaii.gov/budget/puc</a>, including the information found on the web site, is provided as a public service, and should not be construed as official government records. The information contained on the web site is dynamic and will change over time. Users of the web site are therefore fully responsible for determining the accuracy, completeness, and/or suitability of the information." <a href="Id.">Id.</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A copy of Movant's Motion to Intervene is attached as Exhibit "C".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Commission's <u>Daily Activity Report</u> for October 23, 2008, was not printed until October 27, 2008 and did not include the Commission Order Initiating this docket. <u>See</u> Declaration of Counsel at 1. Also, it is clear that the Commission's <u>Daily Activity Reports</u> are not available daily because the Commission's <u>Daily Activity Report</u> for October 27, 2008 was not printed until October 29, 2008, and only one (1) minute after the <u>Daily Activity Report</u> for October 24, 2008. <u>See</u> Declaration of Counsel at 1.

should be given the full 20 days from October 29, 2008 to file its Motion to Intervene. To not

permit the Movant the full 20 days would make a mockery of due process. For example, the

Commission could initiate an order on Day 1, but not give public notice in its Daily Activity

Report until Day 19; to require that all Motions to Intervene be filed on Day 20 after one day

public notice would be an injustice and a violation of due process.

Thus, Movant position is that its Motion to Intervene is timely. However, if the

Commission disagrees with Movant, Movant respectfully requests that the Commission grant its

Motion for Enlargement of Time to file its Motion to Intervene based on excusable neglect since

public notice of the Order Initiating the Docket was not made available to Movant until October

29, 2008, due to no fault of Movant.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Movant respectfully moves the Commission to find that its Motion to

Intervene is timely, or, alternatively, to grant its Motion for Enlargement of Time to File Motion

to Intervene.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, November 17, 2008.

NDRA-ANN Y.H. WONG.

HARLAN Y. KIMURA

Attorneys for Movant

Tawhiri Power LLC

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#### **DECLARATION OF COUNSEL**

STATE OF HAWAII	)
	) ss
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU	)

#### I, HARLAN Y. KIMURA, hereby declare that:

- 1. I am one (1) of the attorneys of record for Movant Tawhiri Power LLC herein and made this declaration based upon personal knowledge gained in that capacity.
- On November 17, 2008 I inspected the Daily Activity Report 3-Ring
   Green Binder located in the public viewing area of the Hawaii Public Utilities
   Commission ("Binder"). Based upon my inspection of the Binder, I discovered that the:
- a. "Daily Activity Report As of 10/23/2008" was printed on October 27, 2008 at 7:39:43 a.m. ("10/23/2008 Report");
- b. "Daily Activity Report As of 10/24/2008" was printed on October 29, 2008 at 11:04:44 a.m. ("10/24/2008 Report");
- c. "Daily Activity Report As of 10/27/2008" was printed on October 29, 2008 at 11:05:23 a.m. ("10/27/2008 Report"); and
- d. "Daily Activity Report As of 10/28/2008" was printed on October 30,2008 at 8:21:17 a.m. ("10/28/2008 Report").
- 3. According to my inspection of the Binder, the first time the public was made aware of Docket No. 2008-0274 issued by the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission on October 24, 2008 ("Decoupling Docket") was the 10/24/2008 Report printed on October 29, 2008 at 11:04:44 a.m.
- 4. Attached to this Motion To Intervene is an electronic copy of the Verification of Mr. Anthony B. Pace, Chief Executive Officer of Apollo Energy

Corporation, the Managing Member of Tawhiri Power LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Verification"). The original of the Verification is being sent to me by Mr.

Pace from Foster City, California, via courier and will be filed in this Docket upon my receipt of the same.

I, HARLAN Y. KIMURA, do declare under penalty of law that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at Honolulu, Hawaii, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November 2008.

HARLAN Y. KIMURA

# VERIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)	
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COUNTY OF SAN MATEO	) )	

Anthony B. Pace, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the Chief Executive Officer of Apollo Energy Corp. and Apollo Energy Corp. is the Managing Member of Tawhiri Power, LLC; that Phave read the foregoing Motion for Enlargement of Time to File Motion to Intervene and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have the authority to sign on behalf of Tawhiri Power, LLC.

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ANTHONY B PACE

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This 17th day of NOVEMBER

Name of Notary Public:

Notary Public, State of California

My commission expires: Of.

SEAN R. SMITH
COMM. #-16/3085
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Movant's substantial interests in this Docket are unique and will not be fully and adequately represented unless Movant is allowed to intervene on its own behalf. In addition, Movant has the experience and background to greatly assist the Commission in developing a sound evidentiary record and a Decoupling Mechanism that meets the objectives of the comprehensive agreement entered into on October 20, 2008 by the Governor of the State of Hawaii, the State of Hawaii Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, the State of Hawaii Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer

Affairs and the Hawaiian Electric Companies ("Comprehensive Agreement"). In support of this Motion, Movant states as follows:

#### 1. <u>Procedural History of this Docket.</u>

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It is Movant's understanding that no action has commenced in this Docket.

# 2. <u>Information Concerning Movant.</u>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See <u>Order Initiating Investigation</u> in Docket No. 2008-0274. "Hawaii Electric Companies" or "HECO Companies" collectively refer to Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc., Maui Electric Company, Limited, and Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. The Commission did not provide Public Notice of this Docket until <u>October 29</u>, 2008.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>Id</u>.

 $<sup>^{3}\</sup>overline{\underline{Id}}.$ 

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#### 3. Nature of Movant's Rights.

The Commission in initiating this investigation has invited any interested individual, entity, agency, or community or business organization, to file a motion to intervene or participate without intervention in this Docket. Movant is a QF that sells its wind-generated energy to Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. ("HELCO") pursuant to the terms and conditions of the RAC.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, Movant qualifies as an interested entity and may intervene in this Docket.

#### 4. Nature and Extent of Movant's Property, Financial, or Other Interest.

Movant is a QF that sells its wind generation to HELCO under the RAC.<sup>6</sup> Pursuant to the terms of the same, Movant is contractually obligated to provide HELCO with energy until 2027

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> <u>Id</u>. <sup>6</sup> <u>Id</u>.

from its Pakini Nui Wind Farm.

The instant Docket may adversely affect Movant's property and financial rights because the Decoupling Mechanism may: (a) shift some of the accounting risks and losses to Independent Power Producers ("IPPs") such as Movant should the collection losses and/or administration costs be allocated to them; (b) serve as a disincentive for the HECO Companies to acquire additional renewable energy from IPPs depending upon the economic considerations integrated therein; and (iii) decrease revenues and increase risks for IPPs with Power Purchase Agreements ("PPAs") if the transmission and distribution energy losses are assigned to them. Therefore, Movant should be granted intervention to protect its property and financial rights.

## 5. The Effect of the Pending Order as to Movant's Interests.

If the Commission implements a decoupling mechanism which would increase the risks and losses to IPPs, and also serve as a disincentive for the HECO Companies to secure more renewable energy from IPPs, such a decoupling mechanism would have a direct and immediate adverse affect on Movant and therefore, negatively affect its ability to maintain a viable business in Hawaii and do violence to the purposes and intent of the Comprehensive Agreement. In other words, the HECO Companies' commitment "to integrating the maximum attainable amount of wind energy on their systems" would be sabotaged by such a decoupling mechanism.<sup>7</sup>

## 6. Other Means Available Whereby Movant's Interests May be Protected.

Movant has no other means but intervention to protect its unique property and financial interests. To not grant Movant's Motion to Intervene would deny it of its due process rights.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Comprehensive Agreement at 3.

# 7. Extent to Which Movant's Interests Would be Represented by Existing Parties.

The Movant's interests cannot be fully represented by any of the existing parties in the Docket because none of those parties share the same property and financial interests as Movant. Neither the HECO Companies nor the Consumer Advocate currently has a PPA to provide energy to a regulated utility. They clearly do not share Movant's interest in protecting its property and financial interests to ensure that it may continue to provide renewable wind energy to HELCO in an economically viable manner and to promote wind energy in the State of Hawaii.

# 8. <u>Movant's Intervention Will Assist in the Development of a Sound Evidentiary Record.</u>

Movant has provided HELCO with renewable wind energy since 2007 and, thus, possesses the experience and background needed to assist the Commission in developing a sound and accurate evidentiary record. Consequently, permitting Movant to intervene would ensure the Commission's decisions being just and reasonable, and meet the objectives of the Comprehensive Agreement to promote wind energy in Hawaii.<sup>8</sup>

# 9. Extent to Which the Movant's Intervention Would Broaden the Issues or Delay the Proceedings.

Movant's intervention will not unduly broaden the issues or unduly delay the proceedings. In fact, Movant offers a unique perspective to this Docket because: (a) it has been providing HELCO with renewable wind energy since 2007; (b) its Managing Member, Apollo Energy, has been a part of the renewable wind energy community in Hawaii since 1994<sup>9</sup>; and (c)

Hawaii since 1994.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Movant's predecessor (i.e. Apollo Energy) began negotiations with HELCO to provide wind power in 1999. Thus, Movant is very familiar with the HECO Companies facilities and Operations and the Hawaii Energy Community.

<sup>9</sup> Apollo Energy owned and operated the Kamao'a Wind Farm located in at South Point Area on the Island of

Hawaii.<sup>10</sup> Therefore, as an active Intervenor, Movant will be able to assist the Commission in formulating its decisions in a timely, just and reasonable manner. Moreover, Movant seeks to ensure a comprehensive examination of the issues involved in this Docket is made in order to meet the objectives of the historic Comprehensive Agreement.

## 10. Movant's Interests Compared to the General Public.

The Movant has unique property and financial interests, and an intimate knowledge of being a QF providing renewable wind energy to HELCO under its RAC since 2007.

Furthermore, its principals have been involved with the renewable wind energy community in Hawaii since 1983. None of these attributes of Movant is shared by the general public.

## 11. Movant's Position.

Movant as a QF providing renewable wind energy to HELCO has vital property and financial interests requiring it be made a party in this Docket. Exclusion of Movant from participation herein would deny it of its substantive due process rights. Additionally, the ability of Movant to continue to provide renewable wind energy to HELCO and jobs to its employees on the Big Island depends upon the specifics formulated into the Decoupling Mechanism in order that it receive a fair and reasonable rate for its renewable wind energy, and an opportunity to be heard when government agencies take actions that may adversely affect its property and financial rights. Although "Decoupling, as asserted by its proponents, has the benefits of encouraging the substitution of renewable resources, distributed generation and energy efficiency for the utility's fossil fuels production (by reducing a utility's disincentive to promote these types of resources

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The principals of both Movant and Apollo Energy were involved with the prior owners of the Kamao'a Wind Farm since 1983.

and programs), while simultaneously protecting a utility's financial health from erosion as these types of programs go into effect" it is essential that Movant be allowed to intervene as a party in this Docket to ensure that the IPPs' interests are adequately protected and represented.

Alternatively, if the Commission is not inclined to grant Movant intervenor status, Movant respectfully moves the Commission to at least grant it Participant status and permit it to submit

Movant does not request a hearing on this Motion.

Position Statements and/or Testimony.

## CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Movant respectfully moves the Commission to grant its Motion to Intervene, or, alternatively, to grant it Participant status and permit it to submit Position Statements and/or Testimony.

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<sup>11</sup> See, Order Initiating Investigation, supra note 1, at 2-3.

#### **DECLARATION OF COUNSEL**

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU	Ì	

I, HARLAN Y. KIMURA, hereby declare that:

- 1. I am one (1) of the attorneys of record for Movant Tawhiri Power LLC herein and made this declaration based upon personal knowledge gained in that capacity.
- 2. Attached to this Motion To Intervene is an electronic copy of the Verification of Mr. Anthony B. Pace, Chief Executive Officer of Apollo Energy Corporation, the Managing Member of Tawhiri Power LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Verification"). The original of the Verification is being sent to me by Mr. Pace from Foster City, California, via courier and will be filed in this Docket upon my receipt of the same.

I, HARLAN Y. KIMURA, do declare under penalty of law that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at Honolulu, Hawaii, this 17th day of November 2008.

HAPLAN Y. KIMURA

#### VERIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)	
	)	SS.
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO	)	

Anthony B. Pace, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the Chief Executive Officer of Apollo Energy Corp. and Apollo Energy Corp. is the Managing Member of Tawhiri Power, LLC; that I have read the foregoing Motion to Intervene and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have the authority to sign on behalf of Tawhiri Power, LLC.

Subscribed and sworn to before me This 17th day of WOVEMBER

Name of Notary Public:

Notary Public, State of California

My commission expires: ACT.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion to Intervene was duly served on each of the following parties via hand delivery or United States Mail, postage prepaid, as set forth below:

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